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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Fischetti, et al.

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For: Means for the Prophylactic and Therapeutic Treatment of

Group A Streptococcal Infections

The Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 6-22.

Please amend the claims from the preliminary amendment:

--26.A composition for use in the therapeutic of prophylactic treatment of a streptococcal infection, comprising:

an effective amount of Group C streptococcal phage associated] lysin enzyme produced by group C streptococcal bacteria infected with a C1 bacteriophage, and

a carrier for delivering said lysin enzyme to a mouth, throat, or nasal passage.

Please call the undersigned at (301) 603-9071 if you have any questions. Thank you.

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